





July 7, 2008

Ms. Catherine Glidden Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street SW Washington, DC 20043-0001

RE: A Level III Cultural Resource Inventory of the Dakota, Minnesota and Eastern Railroad

Corporation's Powder River Basin Expansion Project Corridor, PRC Segment 1, Haakon,

Jackson, and Pennington Counties, South Dakota, Addendum 1(SD3a-Ad1)

Dear Ms. Glidden:

An archaeological survey of expanded right-of-way in the PRC Section of the Powder River Basin Project (PRB Project) in South Dakota is ready for your review. This report, also known as SD3a-Ad1, was prepared by SWCA Environmental Consultants as an addendum to the Segment 1 inventory report (SD3a) which, according to the latest report tracking information, is under review with the cooperating agencies and tribes. SWCA recorded 1 new site and 3 isolated finds, and revisited 3 previously recorded sites.

We have posted this initial draft report to Louis Berger Group's ftp site for distribution and comments. As previously discussed, LBG will handle all hard copy printing and CD creation and distribution of the report, including copies for your files. Please notify Michael Madson (mmadson@hdrinc.com) when your comments become available. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or if I can assist you in any way.

Sincerely,

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